Old Herefordians' News Etters















HCS Archive Memories...

What have you got in your archive?

If you can name any of the faces in these photographs, please get in touch.







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OH News President's Report 2011

Another year has passed and the Old Herefordians' Club continues to move forward in a strong position through its committee, contact with members and financially.

The OH day last year fell over a particularly bad spell of weather which saw many of the day's events being cancelled. There was, however a great turnout at the lunch and the opening of the OH Room in Number 1



was a huge success. This continues to go from strength to strength proving its popularity.

The OH Room and archiving is a large project and thanks go to Juliette Austen Chandler and Helen Pearson who are giving a huge amount of time to it.

A major project of the Club is to keep the database of its members up to speed and to keep in contact with those members as best we can. We now have an official presence on both *Facebook* and *Linkedin*; these are overseen by Claire Morgan-Jones and Tim Conning respectively.

Peter Fairman-Bourne's London dates, which he organises throughout the year, continue to be popular. A list of all OHIL dates will be available on the website.

The OH Regatta saw some new faces this year and is proving to be a popular summer event.

The 5th and 6th form leavers were again presented with OH ties, scarves and yearbooks at their respective lunches. These are very well attended by virtue of the fact there is no alternative! Joking aside, the presentation of club colours is appreciated and the lunches enjoyed.

Our thanks, as ever, to Jon Webb who continues to keep the club finances in order, to Mark Ellis for keeping a watchful eye as secretary and support as past president, to Clare Adamson for her great work on the OH magazine and to The Headmaster for his for his ongoing support of the club.

Enjoy the magazine and please OH's keep in touch through whichever means is best to let us know what is happening.

Andrew Davies President, Old Herefordian's Club

From the Development Office:

Look Forward, Look Back, Remember and Dream

'In an old, old cathedral city, there was an old, old school. In the old, old school there was an old, old staircase and up the old, old staircase the new Development Office lived! And it has been an eventful first year!'

Firstly, may Chris and I take this opportunity of thanking you all for making us feel so welcome. We have been amazed by your support and friendliness, and we both see this openness and community spirit as two of the main hallmarks of HCS. It is with your fantastic support that so much has been achieved and accomplished.

In December, we opened the dedicated OH History Room where students, staff and OH alike can see items of memorabilia, including a wide selection of uniforms, and photographs. Additionally, the room contains copies of HCS and OH Magazines over the years and through these we have been able to archive details of people's time at the school. Our thanks go to Chloe Gilbert (OH 2011) for her help with the archive this summer. The room is accessible, by appointment, year-round and the displays will change throughout the year; so please feel free to visit and have a chat.

We have attended OH events and enjoyed reminiscences with many OHs at the OH Regatta, OH Day, OH Dinner, OH in London Lunch, the 1991 Reunion, as well as HCS Sports Day, Speech Day, Commemoration Day, Carol Service, Haydn 'Nelson' Mass to name but a few. It is clear that whether it is five or fifty years since you left HCS, you hold fond memories of your time in Castle Street and the Cathedral Close and the people who shared your time here both pupils and staff. Helen and I have also attended funerals and memorial services for Old Herefordians.

This year the Development Office was able to assist HCS when it was approached about a fantastic legacy that would ensure an enduring opportunity for future generations of pupils (see article *Forever Educating*; Page 5). Gifts to the School, no matter how big or small make a real difference. Whether it is a photograph to ensure that a record of a moment in time remains, a prize to be awarded in memory of a loved one or a gift to provide financial assistance for a student, they all provide unique opportunities and all enter the rich tapestry of our vast School history.

And so, as we look forward we look to a year packed with the cycle of School and OH events, to which we will be adding dates for an Armed Forces Reunion, a reunion for the Leavers of 1962, an Oxford Dinner for OHs who attended Oxford and Cambridge Universities, the tri-annual Chorister's Reunion as the Three Choirs Festival comes to Hereford, and to the launch of a 'Friends' calendar of events.

Thank you again for all your support this year; and I look forward to meeting and working with you all in the years to come.

Best regards,

Claire Claire Morgan-Jones, Development Director

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Tony Award for War Horse



A man who began his studies at Hereford Cathedral School has won the theatrical equivalent of an Oscar during a lavish awards ceremony in New York.

Chris Shutt (OH1971-1976) won Broadway acclaim at the renowned Tony Awards for his sound design role in *War Horse* and crossed the Atlantic for just twenty-four hours to pick up the gong. The Tony Awards, more formally known as the Antoinette Perry Awards for Excellence in Theatre, are held each year and televised across the USA.

War Horse took a total of six Tony's, including best play. Chris had worked on the show in London's West End and stayed with it as it moved to New York. *War Horse*, which has been a phenomenal success since it opened at the National Theatre in 2007, is based on the 1982 children's novel by Michael Morpurgo – about the bond between a young First World War recruit and his horse .The play is still running in the West End, where it has sold more than one million tickets, and is selling out on Broadway every night.

QCVS for Taliban Battles



An Old Herefordian has been honoured in the Operational Awards List published on 30 September, which recognises military service during operations. Captain Tobias Whitmarsh (OH 1990-1996), a 29-year-old company

operations officer of 1st Battalion The Royal Irish Regiment, received the Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service (QCVS) for his leadership skills in controlling six months of intense battles with the Taliban.

Captain Whitmarsh was responsible for controlling the tactical movements of up to 350 troops. His operations centre was a small hut, where he often working by candlelight, within a mud-walled compound which came under enemy fire several times a day.

His citation described him as "a truly exceptional officer". It said: "For those that conducted operations under his control, he was the constant example of leadership and resolute determination."

Toby was a chorister from the age of eight but left HCS aged fourteen and went on to attend Ampleforth.

UN Appointment



Following the catastrophic earthquake in Haiti last year, Nigel Fisher (OH 1958-1965), was appointed by United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon as his Deputy Special Representative for the United Nations

Stabilization Mission in Haiti, at the rank of Assistant Secretary-General in July 2010. Nigel Fisher is the past president and CEO of UNICEF Canada.

Dr. Fisher has worked for three decades with the United Nations in a dozen countries: working with UNICEF for over two decades in Asia, Africa, and the Middle East, with the Department of Peacekeeping in Afghanistan after the fall of the Taliban. His UNICEF career has predominantly been in conflict-affected or crisis-hit countries: he has been involved in developments in Afghanistan for more than a decade and was UNICEF special representative for Afghanistan and neighbouring countries after 9/11; he was UNICEF's special representative for Afghanistan and neighbouring countries after 9/11; he was UNICEF's special representative for Rwanda and the Great Lakes region of Central Africa in the immediate aftermath of the Rwandan genocide, and led UNICEF's response to the first Gulf War in the Middle East in the early 1990s. He has also been UNICEF's Director of Emergency Operations and Regional Director for South Asia.

A Canadian national, Canada has awarded Nigel Fisher the Meritorious Service Cross for his humanitarian leadership. He is married and has two daughters.

Major record deal for Debbie



Debbie Clarke (OH 1996-2002) has signed a fivealbum record deal with Warner Records.

After being played on BBC Radio several times, Debbie began working with legendary record producer Tony Visconti from 2008. Tony Visconti has produced many albums with stars such as David Bowie, Thin

Lizzy and T. Rex amongst others. Debbie's album, which is in the Folk/Pop/Rock genre, will go on sale worldwide in January 2012. All tour information, videos, and pictures will be available on the Warner Records website and Debbie's website which is to be launched soon.

Debbie gained her Grade 8 distinction and won the Hereford and Worcester Young Musician of the Year for two consecutive years whilst at Hereford Cathedral School. After leaving HCS she studied for four years at The Royal Academy of Music in London and whilst there was finalist in the Young Kathleen Ferrier Competition.

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Soviet Soundtrack



The soundtrack for a major new BBC radio dramatisation of Vassily Grossman's epic novel *Life and Fate* was composed by John Hardy (OH 1970-1975).

Starring Kenneth Branagh and David Tennant, the thirteen episodes were broadcast from 18 to 25 September on BBC Radio 4.

Completed in 1960, the novel, which charts the fate of both a nation and a family at the time of the battle of Stalingrad, was deemed so dangerous by the KGB that the book itself was arrested!

The 3 Amigo's raise £15,000 for charities



Left to right: OH Club Secretary, Mark Ellis with Alistair McHarg and Martin Churchward at Robin Hood's Bay

Three Herefordshire businessmen using the nickname The 3 Amigos – OH Club Secretary Mark Ellis, Alistair McHarg (OH 1970-1976) and Martin Churchward – have just completed the Coast to Coast walk in aid of local charities.

The walk, often referred to as the Wainwright walk, started at St Bee's on the Cumbrian coast just below Whitehaven and covered 192 miles in thirteen days with 20,000 feet of ascent. The route follows through the Lake District crossing the M6 at Shap and then over the Pennines, it then follows the Yorkshire dales and moors, then crosses the Cleveland hills before the descent into Robin Hood's Bay on the North Yorkshire coast. The three men completed the walk in aid of St Michael's Hospice, Noah's Ark Trust, Macmillan Cancer, Ataxia and Hereford Open Door; they would like to thank all sponsors and the many well wishers who have supported them.

Herefordshire Walks



'Garth Lawson's Walks' is a monthly feature in The Hereford Times written by Old Herefordian Garth Lawson (1965-1971).

Garth's walks take the reader to some of the most stunning parts of the beautiful county of Herefordshire and we learn a little of the local history along the way.

Twenty-three of the most interesting walks have been published together in a pocket-sized collection: "Garth Lawson's Herefordshire Walks From The Hereford Times". Each walk features a fascinating commentary, stunning photographs and a map that will ensure this book will appeal to everyone who loves the Herefordshire countryside, whether you are a walker or not. We are sure this little book will have nostalgic appeal to Old Herefordian exiles!

Garth Lawson's Herefordshire Walks is available at £7.99 (+ £1 perp where applicable) from the Hereford Times office at Holmer Road, Hereford HR4 9UJ. To order by phone with a credit or debit card, call 01905 742333.

A Philosophical First



A ground-breaking book for moral philosophers and students of moral philosophy has been written by American university professor and Old Herefordian, David K Phillips (1976-1983).

Henry Sidgwick's 'The Methods of Ethics' is one of the most important books in the history of moral philosophy. In

'Sidgwickian Ethics', Professor David Phillips aims to do something that has (surprisingly) not been done before: to interpret and evaluate the central argument of the Methods, in a way that brings out the important conceptual and historical connections between Sidgwick's views and contemporary moral philosophy. This book provides the first brief, accessible introduction to Sidgwick's most important ideas and contributes to and helps to shape the growing body of literature on Sidgwick.

David Phillips is Associate Professor and Department Chair at the University of Houston, USA.

The book is due to be published in Autumn 2011.

OUP USA, ISBN 978-0-19-977891-1; Hardback, 76 pages. Price: £40.00

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Young Player of the Year

Earlier this year, England won the 2011 Junior Camrose Bridge Trophy and Ben Paske (OH 2004) was a member of the victorious team.

The competition, for players under 25, was contested between England, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

In September 2010, Ben was crowned Young Player of the Year 2009 by the English Bridge Union after a series of successful events. Since leaving HCS, where he was coached in bridge by mathematics teacher Mr Richard Croot, Ben has represented England at many international bridge competitions. In 2008, Ben and younger brother Tom helped the England Under-21 team gain the silver medal in the World Mindsports Olympiad in Beijing.

OHs at Hay



Two Old Herefordians were guest speakers at this year's Hay Literary Festival.

Novelist **Tiffany Murray** (OH1981-1986), author of '*Diamond Star Halo*', was not only an invited speaker but was also blogging for the official Hay website and the *Daily Telegraph*.

M R Hall (OH 1978-1985) was talking about his third novel in the Jenny Cooper series, *'The Redeemed'*.

The Great Humanists



In his latest book, Jonathan Arnold (OH 1980-1988) explores the finest intellects of late-Renaissance Europe, providing an essential guide to the most important scholars, priests, theologians and philosophers of the period, now collectively known as the Christian Humanists.

The Great Humanists provides an

invaluable context to the philosophical, political and spiritual state of Europe on the eve of the Reformation through interrelated biographical sketches of Erasmus, Thomas More, Marsilio Ficino, Petrarch, Johann Reuchlin, Jacques Lefevre d'Etaples and many others. The legacy of these thinkers is still relevant and widely-studied today, and this book will make invaluable reading for scholars and students of philosophy and early-modern European history.

Jonathan Arnold is Chaplain and Senior research Fellow at Worcester College, Oxford.

The Great Humanists: An Introduction ISBN: 978-1848850828 (I B Tauris, 2011), £17.99

School Benefactors

Forever Educating...an amazing gift.

This year two nonagenarian ladies left an astonishing legacy of $\pm 325,000$ to Hereford Cathedral School.

At present investment rates, the income generated from this amazing gift will enable the school to create a fully funded place for a talented musician to attend HCS from the age of 11 to 18. Thereafter the place will be award to a further child and so on. The first pupil to benefit from their generosity started in September 2011.

In a heartfelt letter, the child's parents say "without this extraordinary gift it would simply not be possible for our child to attend the Cathedral School. This is without question a lifechanging opportunity and we can not thank the ladies enough for making reachable the unreachable"

From a modest background, both ladies were delivered by Dr Fonseca in Ebbw Vale. Their father was a master tailor from Cowbridge and their maternal grandparents farmers in Staffordshire where they spent many happy holidays.

Miss Barbara Hilda Knapton and her sister Mrs Kathleen Mary Cavill both trained as teachers and taught throughout their working life. In the final months of their lives they approached their solicitor Mr Fonseca, grandson of the doctor, to draw up their wills. They requested that their estates be used, in part, to create enduring funds to enable musically talented, but economically challenged, young people to access first class education with a strong musical tradition. Two colleges also benefited from the ladies' estates.



Miss Knapton (left) Mr and Mrs Cavill (centre and right)

'Hoppy' Remembered 100 years on

For students from the 1950s Mr 'Hoppy' Hopewell is well remembered as Headmaster of the School, but what you may not know is that as a pupil of the school in 1911 he also won a silver cup for the 100 yard sprint – a cup which had long since been forgotten.

One hundred years on, his daughter Patricia returned to the school with the cup and it will now be presented annually in Mr Hopewell's name to the winner of the boys 100 metres race.

Mrs Patricia Brittain presented the cup this year, for the first time, to Frederick Lifely on his winning of the boys 100 metre sprint; she also attended the final Headmaster's Assembly and Speech Day 2011.

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Castle House Evening 10 December 2011 7.30pm

Join us for an Informal Dinner at Castle House

All OHs Welcome Buffet supper with great company Dress: Christmas Casual!! £30ph

Limited places Please contact Helen Pearson in Development Office on 01432 363566

Reunion - Class of '91

Two big events in one weekend - one being the 1991 20-year reunion, which took place on Deanery lawn on Saturday 30 April - the other the Royal Wedding.

The organisers of this show had a nervous week prior to the event eagerly watching the weather reports and making last minute preparations for bad weather. We needn't have worried as it turned out to be a glorious day and over forty Old Herefordians returned to school with partners and children to catch up on the twenty years, among them were some of our teachers: Mr Rhodes, Mr Parker, Dr Rawlinson, Mrs Miles, Mr Clarke, Mr Dunn, Mrs James Moore, Mrs Wooderson and Mrs Williams.

We spent the evening at the Green Dragon where we reminisced about the good old days into the early hours. We had a great turnout but know that some of you couldn't make it as you were further afield - however do log on to our Facebook page - 'It was 20 years ago today' - to see more photos (thanks to Juliette): http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/group.php?gid=399998095131.

Thank you to HCS for allowing us to host the event at school and particular thanks go to Helen Pearson and Claire Morgan-Jones who helped with the smooth running of the day. Also to the team for cajoling friends back for the day and Pakwai for providing the drinks, Kirsty, Hayley and Bethan.

Class of '91 who attended: Mark Taylor, Phil Dummott [Mayo], Becky White [Clarke], Rachel Mears [Hope], Helen Barreggi [Dobson], Bethan Deakins, Hayley Llewellyn, Pakwai Hung, Kirsty McGaun, Maria Whiteman, Neil Mitchell, Ben Moore, Vaughan Barnacle, Lucy Renwick, Rob Shane, Mel Fleming [Evans], Alistair Fleming, Libby Alexander [Powell], Emma Marks [Rogers], Suki Carpenter [Austen-Adams], Sam Williams [Shore], Toni Slater [Quinlan], Sarah Mahoney [Shallcross], Fiona Turnbull [Mitchell], Paul Jenkins, Andy Hicks, Vicki Gooch [Somers], Sarah Mayo-Evans, Giles Delaney, Hannah Cleaton-Roberts [Esson], Anya Clive [Duncan], Georgia Pritchard, David Leigh, Phil Pritchard, Annette Clayton [Merrick], Vicky O'Rourke [Burns], Katherine Sibley [Seely], Caroline Holmes, Alex Hickey, Mark Hooley.

Teachers: Mr Bob Clarke, Mrs Linda Miles, Mr Jim Dunn, Mrs Pam James-Moore, Mrs Marnie Wooderson, Mrs Marise Williams, Mr Edge Parker, Mr Dick Rhodes, Dr Guy Rawlinson.



Andrew, Toni, Linda and Suki



Toni, Sam and Sam



Catherine and Vicki and Linda Miles



Mark and Robin



Helen and Vicki



Cambridge OH Dinner at St John's College

Around ninety years after a formal OH dinner at the Bull Hotel, Cambridge, on 19 November 1921, following which the company retired to play leap-frog around the St John's courts, twelve of us gathered to dine in the Wordsworth room at St John's College on the 18 June 2011.

Given the long-standing links through the Somerset foundation between HCS and St John's, to say nothing of the present connection through the current organ scholar - to whom we are indebted for arranging the dinner - it was an appropriate venue. We were an eclectic lot - a former fellow of Girton College (Nikki Higgins), now a high ranking civil servant; a former choral scholar and economics student of St Cath's (Chris Cullen), who works for Barclay's International; current students: John Challenger (St John's organ scholar), David Greatrex (postgraduate at Wolfson College), Luke Fisher (Trinity choral scholar), Richard Watkins (Girton College), Molly Tucker (Murray Edwards College), Ruari Bowen (King's choral scholar); Howard and Heather Tomlinson; and John and Louisa Williams, whose son Tom has just finished his five years as a St John's chorister and is returning to HCS with a music scholarship. It was a delightful evening, even without the leap-frog, and we trust that it will not be another ninety years before the next Cambridge OH gathering.

Howard Tomlinson

Totis G Alexandrou (1969-1971)

Totis, who lives in Cyprus, returned to HCS earlier this year and made a nostalgic tour of the Cathedral School.

"It would be nice to meet with Paul Couper, "Hod" Edwards and Steve Rowlands after forty-two years (although I have spoken on the phone with Steve a couple of times over the years). Perhaps on my next visit?

"I used to see Steve's parents, Mr and Mrs Rowlands, during trips to the UK and am extremely grateful for their kindness and generosity shown to me when I first arrived in England in 1969 and spoke very poor English. I attribute my command of the English language to them both. John and Grace Rowlands were my mentors and severest critics but also guided me in British customs and way of life and I will always be indebted to them. Mr Rowlands was a wonderful person and a teacher of great ability. He was the epitome of honesty and professionalism in his field and is greatly missed."



Totis with Mr Rowlands



Totis with Andy Chadd



SCHOOL Aravon past pupils

A message from Aravon Prep School, Dublin: Aravon celebrates its Sesquicentennial (150 years) next year and would like to contact as many of its past pupils as possible. Please e-mail your details to 150@aravon.ie and pass on this message to any other past pupils with whom you may be in contact. 'Looking forward to renewing old acquaintances.'

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Hereford Cathedral School Presents... **Curry Night John Peters**

Friday 9 December at 7.30pm **Hereford Town Hall**



Squadron Leader John Peters came to the world's attention in January 1991, the first day of the Gulf War, when his British Tornado bomber was shot down over Iraqi territory and he was captured.

John's powerful and moving story focuses on how he coped with both the brutal physical and mental pressure inflicted on him by his captors. His war was not all as he expected - it became a seven-week ordeal of torture and interrogation testing John Peters to the absolute limit and bringing him close to death.

If you are attending OH Day events on Saturday, why not make it an OH weekend and start on Friday night?

> Tickets and further information from Helen Pearson: 01432 363566 development@hcjs.co.uk

Tickets: £25 RAISING FUNDS IN AID OF VETERANS AID

Castle House Evening 10 December 2011 7.30pm

Join us for an Informal **Dinner at Castle House**

All OHs Welcome

Buffet supper with great company

Dress: Christmas Casual!! £30ph

Limited places

Please contact Helen Pearson in Development Office on 01432 363566

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Old Herefordians in London - Spring Luncheon 2011



















Old Herefordians in London

OHIL Events 2012

OHIL Spring Luncheon Thursday 29 March Doggetts' Coat & Badge, Blackfriars Bridge, SE1 (Buffet served 1pm.)

Annual London Dinner Tuesday 24 April, 6pm for 6.45pm The East India Club, St James's, SW1 (3 course meal + wine, coffee & mints). Further Details: 0H Club 01432 363566

Autumn Evening Gathering Tuesday 2 October, 6pm onwards The Counting House, Cornhill, EC3

Autumn Luncheon Thursday 8th November, 11am Doggetts' Coat & Badge, Blackfriars Bridge, SE1 Cost: £25 per ('free' drink on arrival and a glass of wine with buffet at 1pm).

All OHs from any era welcome to attend any event.

To reserve a place, please contact Peter Fairman-Bourn pfb@oldherefordiansclub.co.uk

Choir Gathering, Three Choirs Festival 2012



Former choristers at the 2009 Choir Gathering

The Perpetual Trust is planning to repeat its highly successful Choir gathering again at this coming year's Three Choirs Festival.

The event, which is staged for former choristers, lay clerks and for others who have been involved in the cathedral choir, is planned for Sunday 22 July. All those former members of the choir who already receive Out of the Cloister will receive an invitation however if you are not currently on our list please contact the Perpetual Trust office (01432 374261: perpetual.trust@herefordcathedral.org). Glyn Morgan

Cathedral Organist celebrates 10 years



William Wilson, former chorister Oliver Butler and organist Geraint Bowen.

choristers Former cathedral returned to sing in a special Choral **Evensong in early September to** mark the tenth anniversary of the appointment of Geraint Bowen as the organist & director of music of Hereford Cathedral in succession to Dr Roy Massey.

The former choristers joined the current choir, along with the new organ and choral scholars for a rehearsal in advance of the service and returned to College Hall, next door to the Song School where the choir rehearses on a daily basis, for an afternoon tea prepared by the parents of the current choristers.

What's On 2011-2012

All Old Herefordians and Friends of Hereford Cathedral School are welcome to attend the following events:

November	2011							
November		7	Wards and Music for Doment	Hanafand Catha I. I				
Thursday	10 11	7pm 1pm	Words and Music for Remembrance	Hereford Cathedral				
Friday Saturday	12		Year 7 Rugby Festival Hereford RFC Rugby - 1st, 2nd Xv and U12 v King's Worcester Wyeside					
Sunday	12	2.30pm 10am	Rugby - 1st, 2nd Xv and U12 v King's Worcester Wyeside CCF takes part in Remembrance Parade High Town					
Wednesday		1.15pm	Lunchtime concert St John's Church					
Wednesday		3.15pm	Rugby - 1st and 2nd XV v The Chase Wyeside					
Friday	18	6pm	Historical Association Lecture	HCS Library				
Tuesday	22	7.30pm	Upper School Musical*	HCS				
Wednesday		7.30pm	Upper School Musical*	HCS				
Thursday	24	7.30pm	Upper School Musical*	HCS				
Thursday	24	4pm	Hockey - 1st XV v Cheltenham College	Leisure Centre				
Monday	28	7pm	Instrumental Concert	St John's Church				
December 2011								
Saturday	3	2.30pm	Rugby U12 v Lucton	Wyeside				
Sunday	4	3.30pm	Ceremony of Boy Bishop	Hereford Cathedral				
Friday	9	7.30pm	John Peters former RAF pilot captured in	China Hall				
Caturday	Iraq. Talk and Curry Night.* (£25) Shire Ha							
Saturday	10	10am						
		7.30pm	Music and sport** Castle House Dinner** (£30)	Castle House Hotel				
Wednesday	14	1.15pm	Lunchtime Concert	St John's Church				
Saturday	17	12.30pm	Reunion of Upper Sixth Form Leavers 2011**	HCS				
January 20		.2.30pm						
January 20	12	1.15pm	Lunchtime Concerts	St John's Church				
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Friday	27	6pm	Historical Association Lecture	HCS Library				
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March 2012								
C		1.15pm	Lunchtime Concerts	St John's Church				
Saturday	10		Oxbridge OH Reunion Dinner**	Oxford University				
Thursday	15	6pm	Historical Association Lecture	HCS Zimmerman				
Wednesday		7pm	Zimbe - Music Outreach Concert*	Hereford Cathedral				
Thursday	29	2.30pm	Commemoration Day	Hereford Cathedral				
	29	11am-3pm	OHiL Lunch (£20)	London				
April 2012								
-		1.15pm	Lunchtime Concerts	St John's Church				
Tuesday	24	6.30pm	OH London Dinner**	East India Club				
		(£55; student concession available)						
May 2012								
		1.15pm	Lunchtime Concerts	St John's Church				
Thursday	10	10.30 start	OH Golf Day (£45)	Belmont Golf Club				
June 2012								
		1.15pm	Lunchtime Concerts	St John's Church				
Saturday	tbc	Lunchtime	OH Reunion - 1982-1985**	HCS				
Saturday	23		Armed Forces Reunion**	HCS				
Sunday	24	Lunchtime	OH Regatta**	Hereford Rowing Club				
July 2012								
		1.15pm	Lunchtime Concerts	St John's Church				
			Sports Day	Leisure Centre				
Sat – Sat	21-28		3 Choirs Festival Cathedral					
Sunday	22		3 Choirs Festival - OH Choristers' Reunion	Cathedral				
,	tbc		Art Fest	Bishop's Palace				
Septembe	r 2012							
Sunday	9		Reunion lunch for Parents	HCS				
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	**For OH Events, please contact The Development Office, levelopment@hcjs.co.uk Tel. 01432 363566. KCS Music School Lunchtime Concerts are held at 1.15pm, St John's Church, St Owen's St. Hereford.							
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contact Peter Fairman-Bourn: pfb@oldherefordiansclub.co.uk. For OH Golf Day, please contact Andrew Singer: abs.singer@btinternet.com.

schoolsec@herefordcs.com Tel. 01432 363522. Dates in red = To be confirmed.

OH Sport



There are no winter sports reports as snow stopped play on OH Day!

OH Golf

The eighth meeting of the School House Golfing Society took place at Belmont Golf Club on Thursday, 12 May 2011 and the event attracted a record entry.

This undoubtedly reflects the importance the of growing competition in the golfing calendar. I would like to report a corresponding improvement in playing standards and, perhaps, one day I will. In the meantime I have booked Thursday, 10 May 2012. Same time, same place with the day following the same format as before: cost £45; 10.30 a.m., meet for coffee and bacon rolls. Play will be in teams of three with the best two scores counting, stapleford scoring. Supper at 6pm prompt. No special prizes, just a chance to hold the SHGS Invitation cup for 10 minutes.

This year Jim Knipe (57-64 West House) and Peter Williams (62-69 Deanery) made their debuts, and Clive Potter (62-68 School House) attended the supper. Powell Price (58-65) also entertained us late into the evening.

If you would like to join us please contact me, Andrew Singer, on 01656 785628 or by email at abs.singer@btinternet.com.



Left to Right: Clive Hallett (55-63), Jeremy Clare (58-64), Andrew Singer (57-64), Clive Mugridge (57-64), Angus Craig (58-65), Ray Harries (55-61), David Wright (59-62), Peter Williams (62-69), Roger Morgan (63-70), Jim Knipe (58-65), Stephen Williams (67-74), John Oldman 57-64), Richard Blott (54-62), Andrew Williams (69-76), Howard Tomlinson (HM 87-05) and Jack Beach (55-63). (Barton Taylor (56-63) also played).

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Edward Harris Cup 2011

A team from this motley crew was selected to join other teams from Old Boys' societies to compete for the Edward Harris Cup.

The match took place at the Royal Porthcawl Golf Club on Friday 7 October 2011. It is the first time we have entered a team. It sounded as though they took it slightly more seriously than we do at Belmont so we put out a team of regular players. All teams consisted of eight players and there were entries from Brecon, Cheltenham, Dean Close, Llandovery, Malvern, Monmouth, Ruthin, Rydal and Wycliffe. Some schools had more than one team and a total of 120 golfers took part. Our team was Angus Craig, John Oldman, Roger Morgan, Peter Williams, Barton Taylor, Jack Beach, Clive Hallett and Andrew Singer. We didn't win but we acquitted ourselves well. The winning score was an average of 35.3 points and our score was 32.7. We were, of course, perfect ambassadors for the school in the bar afterwards!



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OH Regatta

The School Regatta took place on Sunday 12 June and, despite the cool damp weather, the event was thoroughly enjoyed.

The reputation of the Regatta has been spreading on the OH grapevine and this year we were pleased to welcome more OH rowers keen to take part – they have promised to return next year.



J G Russell, E R Langford





Mrs Smith, Laurence Middleton-Jones, G L Kemp



Next year's regatta will be held on 24th June. Please join us for the pre-regatta lunch in the school dining hall and a cream tea by the river. Whatever the weather, it's bound to be an enjoyable occasion.

To book your lunch, please contact Helen Pearson, Development Office: 01432 363566; development@herefordcs.com.



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OH Careers

Holly Ricketts OH 1997-2003



In 2004, I left HCS after seven happy years to study History at university.

At this point I was unsure what I wanted to do for a career, but I performed well at A level and knew I wanted to get a good degree. Deciding which university to go to was no easy choice, having received offers from Birmingham, Warwick, Cardiff, Swansea and Exeter. In the end, I chose the place where I believed I could be happy - Swansea. This proved to be one of the best decisions of my life, as during my time there I really developed as a person, met some fantastic lifelong friends and graduated with first class honours. However, this did not resolve my career dilemma, and so I decided to undertake further study at Exeter University, graduating in 2008 with a Masters degree in History.

Following my studies I managed to get a job temping in the Finance Department at Devon and Cornwall Police. This was far from ideal, but I persevered for almost a year until I was appointed to the position permanently. By this time I had found out about the fascinating world of intelligence and realised that in order to secure a job in this field, I would be better placed as a permanent member of staff who was able to apply for jobs advertised internally. Eventually, an opportunity came up as an Intelligence Researcher; to my delight I was the successful applicant and I currently work in the Force Intelligence Centre at Police Headquarters in Exeter.

The intelligence directorate employs teams of researchers and analysts within the Crime Department who assist Police officers by producing work from various intelligence sources. I can honestly say that I could not be happier. No two days are ever the same, and the job is immensely rewarding as I get involved in many high profile cases and feel as though I am making a real difference. One of the best things about the job is the self-development - I am constantly being sent on specialist training courses to help me build on my research skills. Within a month of starting, I began working on my first so-called major incident - a double murder. My areas of work are now predominantly domestic abuse, rape and child abuse.

The job does come with a degree of unpredictability, in that if a major incident occurs, I am expected to go and work in the location of the incident so that I can work alongside the investigating officers and be tasked directly by them. For instance, I was recently the dedicated researcher for a fatal stabbing, and due to the fastpaced nature of the case I had to work 12-hour days in Torquay for the first week. In future, I would like to become an analyst working on serious and organised crime, although there are so many exciting opportunities in intelligence that it is difficult to say for certain what I will end up doing.

If I could offer any advice, it would be not to feel rushed into making career choices straight after leaving school if you are unsure what path to take. Had it not been for temping at the Police first and getting to know the organisation, I would never have known that my current job even existed, so it was not something that I could plan. If anyone feels they would like to contact me, I would be more than happy to answer any questions. My email address is hollz182@hotmail.com.

Richard Delaney OH 1995 - 1997

After my A levels I headed to Glasgow University to read philosophy.

The year was 1997, Tony Blair was promising a bright future for all and it was 'Cool Britannia' all the way. Having excelled at athletics at school I joined the athletics club and the American football club. Like most things at university the American football was just a fad. However, I maintained an enthusiasm for athletics and represented the Scottish Universities at the 400m in the British Universities' championships (second to last in the finals!). I also developed a strong passion for the decathlon and travelled regularly to Falkirk to train with Scotland's only polevault coach (when I think back I cannot help but laugh) - an octogenarian whose Scottish accent was so strong as to be incomprehensible. I went on to win the Scottish Universities' indoor heptathlon. However, I had an existential crisis one evening whilst running round and round and round the track - I simply walked off and have never stepped foot on a running track since.

I had a desire for travel. I had spent three weeks hitch-hiking around South Africa in 1998 and I wanted to do more of the same; except maybe do something good like build a dam or teach children in a different continent. Like all good students, I dyed my hair blue, got my eyebrow pierced and signed up for 'Student Volunteers Abroad'. This turned out to be a most fortuitous move as I had a ball, learnt a heap of stuff and met wonderful people who remain my friends to this day.

At university I had developed a passion for photography and put on a number of exhibitions in local galleries. Having graduated with a second class degree in philosophy, I decided to pursue my photography interests and spent six months in Vienna working for a 'hip'

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media company called The Lomographic Society - set up by two Austrians named Fritz and Wolfgang who smuggled long exposure cameras out of communist Russia. They made huge collages of photos which appeared as patterns when observed from far away but were in fact tiny mundane photos of everyday life.

Returning to England, I was told by several art galleries that if I was to work as a curator/gallery manager then I needed more sales experience. After a number of unsuccessful interviews I eventually found a job at Foxtons' estate agents in Islington - a company with an infamous reputation for long hours and ruthless tactics. For over four years I worked almost twelve hours a day and most Saturdays; I learnt an enormous amount about the dark art of dealing with the public. My spare time was taken up with fishing and I travelled the country in pursuit of fish: Barbel fishing on the Wye, trout fishing on the Kennet, or my particular favourite - pike fishing on the Norfolk Broads in the freezing depths of winter.

An old friend working for a Dutch property developer in the Republic of Georgia convinced me that there were loads of opportunities in this new emerging market. I was completely overwhelmed by this incredibly welcoming and beautiful country. Georgians will take every available opportunity to have huge feasts whilst the tamada (toast master) interjects with glass raising toasts covering everything from God, family, friendship, loved ones, dead ones and everything in-between. I verbally agreed the terms of my contract half-cut in a vineyard as the sun went down and this pretty much set the tone for the two years I spent there. I still don't quite know what my job was supposed to be but I did find the time to join a choir, make a documentary film, hike in the mountains a great deal and have my voice dubbed over in Russian on the local news channel. If you ever get the chance to go to this country then do, you won't regret it.

After the collapse of Lehman Brothers brought the beginning of the current financial crisis, I returned to London and found a rather ill-paid job in property management, moved into a box room in a house-share and enrolled on a distance learning Masters degree in surveying from the University of Reading. It wasn't all bad as I met and fell in love with a girl called Kat and we are expecting a baby in December. I have just completed my dissertation 'National Trust Land Use Decisions in the Lake District' and started work for property auctioneers based in Notting Hill.

I still see lots of my old alumni and the older I get the more I value and cherish the freedom and open spaces of HCS that we had, especially when contrasted with the built up environs of London. I wouldn't know what to say to my younger school-self if I bumped into him and I can't offer much in the way of careers advice for the younger reader for I have hardly chosen a path and followed it to the letter. In fact I have only really found my focus now at the age of 33. My only advice is this: work hard, be nice to people and above all, have fun.

Chris Valentini OH 1991-1997



I was never what you might call academic during my time at HCS or since, come to think of it.

I always remember the look of dread on my future A Level teachers' faces when I waltzed over to them stating I'd chosen their particular subject for the next two years. The realisation that they were going to have to chase this particular Valentini for every scrap of homework and coursework must have meant they considered retirement there and then.

I remember one particular occasion when I was on my hands and knees crouched down behind 'The Wall' trying to go unnoticed, as Mr Spencer the physics teacher paced around Castle Street trying to track me down on the absolute final day to get my GCSE coursework handed in. It must have been a ridiculous sight to those that had seen.

Now, I'm in no way trying to condone this behaviour. In fact for any current pupils reading this – work hard, if for no other reason than it makes your time at school so much easier. Nobody wants to be hiding behind walls from teachers.

Strangely enough, after being chased by numerous teachers for missing work over the years, it was me who ended up chasing a teacher; Lisa, a secondary school biology teacher, who I married in 2008 and with whom I have two daughters; Sadie and Mari.

Despite the almost constant haranguing from staff members, I didn't only like school, I loved it. I didn't let the work get in the way of the best social life I will ever experience. Playing rugby for the school allowed me to perform positively for the school I loved. It was one thing that allowed Mr Terry, my long suffering Head of House and top bloke, to give me praise for.

Since the late 1990's the higher education landscape has changed remarkably. Universities are no longer for the most gifted in society. If you have the cash there's a course somewhere that will take you and therefore generally devaluing the merit of a degree. When I left with a deserved E in A Level History of Art and nothing else it was only then I actually considered 'what are the other options if you cannot get into a University?'

There was only one route and that was work.

As it turned out, I liked work. Perhaps I should have tried it earlier while still at school. Or maybe it was just the knowledge of being given money at the end of the week; which meant I could see my friends dotted about at various Universities every weekend.

I got myself an office job with an interview technique based on familiarity, informality, eloquence and a bucket load of charm. Basically taken straight off the HCS training paddock. Two years later going for another low level office job, my HCS patented interview style got me a foot in the door to a junior I.T. role. A decade on, I am now an IT Manager with very real career prospects and a pension and everything else that comes with a proper job. Not setting the world alight but a far cry from the bleak future mapped out for me by others in 1997.

What I'm trying to convey is that HCS offers so much more than academia. It produces well rounded individuals, ready to head into the world. Of course grades and qualifications are important but I truly feel that it is only 50% of what The School has to offer. I thank my parents for having that foresight and not pulling me out of the school despite my grades being wholly unacceptable.

Of my closest friends most are former HCS classmates of mine and despite us leaving school nearly fifteen years ago we all see each other on a regular basis. We're all good, wellmannered, educated boys, well men now actually. All respectful, learned and polite. Mothers, particularly mothers-in law love us. Lisa and Lisa's best friend both bagged themselves an OH. We're highly sought after you know.

One example of how this HCS spirit rubs off positively on others was when, a few years after the boys and I left the school, we were on a weekend jolly away together getting breakfast at a café. We got talking to some other patrons and when our Full English Breakfasts arrived the nice people we were talking to said their goodbyes and left. Shortly after, the proprietor approached us and said that the people who had left had paid our bill. Breakfasts are not cheap for 8 strapping lads but such was the impression us OHs had made on this couple!

The way we conduct ourselves around others is in part down to good parenting. But the one aspect of our lives that we all have in common is Hereford Cathedral School.

And my final message to current pupils: Work hard and immerse yourself in the spirit of The School. You too could get a free breakfast.

Howard Davies OH 1961-1968

Whilst at HCS I became interested in athletics. Determination drove me on from the day that I won the Gordon-Smith Cup on Sports Day through the 19 County titles I won at 100 yards, 220 yards and 400 metres.

In 1968 I went to St. Luke's College, Exeter to undertake a three-year teacher training course. I moved up to 400 metres and did well enough to win inter-College events, but the breakthrough to really fast times just wouldn't come. Disillusioned I gave up athletics for a couple of years, until I began teaching in 1971. I started to get fit again whilst coaching students and when I moved on to teach at a comprehensive school in Cornwall I continued to train hard.

1973 In the long awaited breakthrough happened. I ran the 400 metres in 48 seconds having never broken 51, 50 or 49 seconds before and never looked back. I was given a British Amateur Athletic Board coach named Ron Roddon and soon joined a great squad of athletes including a then young Linford Christie. Over the next three years I competed at the highest level running for Polytechnic Harriers alongside people like Alan Pascoe and Colin Campbell. I made the UK rankings over 400 metres and featured in many top races including the final of the 200 metres in the Inter-Counties Championships and the 400 metres at the AAA Championships. I narrowly missed out on selection for the Commonwealth Games held in Christchurch, New Zealand in 1974 and then became blighted with injuries. With my teaching career advancing and without the medical advances that nowadays remedy such injuries I decided to retire in 1975. I continued coaching with success.

I taught at Falmouth Grammar School for three years, and was given a promotion. The problem with landing a job in a place like West Cornwall was that nobody ever wanted to leave and opportunities for wider experience or promotion were strictly limited. By 1975 I decided to leave Cornwall and find better opportunities elsewhere. I was appointed Head of History Department in a new Comprehensive School in Northamptonshire and taught there for five years, again being promoted internally to the post of Assistant Head of Faculty in a tendepartment Humanities Faculty.

The lure of the South-West was very strong though, and at the end of 1980 I took a sideways move to a Community College in South Devon. Whilst I was there I was given the opportunity to read for a B.Phil degree and then M.Ed. I completed these and was then promoted to a Deputy Headteacher post in Dorchester. By this time our family had grown with three daughters and one son. The housing crash of the late 1980s happened at this time and it became impossible to sell and buy property. After three years and with a successful spell as Acting Headteacher under my belt, I was appointed to a post in the Devon Advisory Service.

I spent eight years in that post but again wanted more and varied experience, so at the end of 1998 I took up the post of General Inspector for Windsor and Maidenhead. I undertook Ofsted training and continued in my role until 2003. At that point I was appointed to a Principal Inspector post on the Isle of Wight. I continued in that post until I retired in 2008 although I continued to do some consultancy work for schools and the local authority on a part-time basis until 2010.

OH Update

Garth Lawson OH 1965-1971

After studying classics at Bristol University, Garth became a productivity specialist and worked in five different types of industry in a 30-year career.

He is now working as a Personal Assistant to a stroke victim, and following the success of his monthly column in the Hereford Times, he launched his first book of Herefordshire walks in April 2011.

At HCS Garth played for the 1st XV, 1st XI at cricket, and the little-remembered football team, at least four of whom registered with football league clubs. *"Bob Talbot was usually the rugby coach, going up the school through the ranks, and has always commented that the (late)* Dave Benjamin, John Watkins, Nick Bowkett, Roy Evans, Nick Turner, Dave Keyte, John Ayliffe, Robert Lewis team axis was one of the better intakes of rugby talent. 'Tick' Hill was cricket coach in the second form and I well remember him demonstrating a straight back lift with a cigarette expertly balanced on his lower lip. Academically I was one half of the Classical Sixth form under Messrs Rhodes and Brookes, along with Robert Hay who went on to become a headmaster at Exeter Cathedral School."

David Phillips OH 1976-1983



After leaving HCS, David studied at Lincoln College, Oxford where he gained a 1st Class Honours Degree in P.P.E. He then went on an

exchange to Cornell University in New York State, where he gained both his M.A and Ph.D. He has been teaching Philosophy at the University of Houston since then and is now

Associate Professor and Department Chair.

David has been married twice and has one son of eighteen and a daughter of nine and a son of seven from his second marriage.

David's book, Sidgwickian Ethics is featured on page 4.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Congratulations to the following OHs who achieved their Gold DofE Award this year:

Anna Davies, Felicity Hughes, Emma Lewis, Jonas Roderick, Olivia Smith, Mary Wall and Hannah Warner.

Isabel Partridge OH 2004

Izzy left HCS in 2004 with Economics, Geography and Spanish A levels and went on to study a Culinary Arts Management Degree at University College Birmingham.

"This course was perfect for me as I have always been a passionate cook and baker and the diversity of modules resulted in me having knowledge in managing a small business, new product development and most importantly improving my practical bakery skills. I spent the industrial placement year at Dromoland Castle, Ireland, as a pastry chef and completed an NVQ level 3 in Bakery to further my skills. After graduating with a 1st Class degree I was lucky enough to get a job as a Product development Technologist at a cake manufacturer 'Kate's Cakes'. This handcrafted-cake company in West Sussex focuses on producing high quality, hand finished cakes which are sold across the retail, food service and coffee shop markets. Having had the opportunity to develop a range of innovative products for key customers, including Starbucks, over the past two years, I am now looking forward to the future where I aspire to set up my own business back in Herefordshire with my family".

Beth Pattison *OH 1998-2005*

Beth Pattison is in the second year of her first teaching appointment at Stamford Junior School, Lincolnshire (year 3).

Ben and Did Pattison OH 1997-2003 and 2002

Congratulations to Ben and Christabel (Did) Pattison: a little boy named Rupert George on 11th April 2011.

They have moved back to Herefordshire and Ben is working in Malvern.

Lee Shutler *OH 1976-84*

Lee has returned to Korea where he is managing a British Council Teaching Centre in Incheon. Having taken up the post at the end of October 2010, one of his first jobs was to prepare for an evacuation of staff after North Korea sent missiles onto South Korean territory near Incheon. Fortunately, the skirmish was brief and peace has reigned since that day in November. South Korea remains a

fascinating country in which to live and work.

Congratulations

Academic Success

Sebastian Smith (OH 2007) graduated in July 2011 with a first class MSci from the Department of Chemistry at University College London.

Military Success



Stuart Adams (OH 2000-2007), was presented a top Royal Marines senior recruit award – the Kings Badge. The senior recruit squad in Royal Marines training is known as the King's Squad, with the best all round recruit in the squad awarded the King's Badge. The King's Badge is not awarded to every squad, but Stuart Adams measured up to these exacting standards and was deemed worthy of the award – a great honour and achievement.

Jack Anthony (OH 2000–2005) and **Charles Berry Ottaway** (OH 1998-2005) were both in the Sovereign's Parade at Sandhurst in April 2011.

Charles Berry Ottaway has been gazetted to the 4th Batalion, (The Highlanders), The Royal Regiment of Scotland, at present based in Germany.



Charles Berry Ottaway

Weddings

Jessica Marsh OH (1987-1993) and Richard Croot.



Jessica Marsh married Richard Croot, HCS teacher of Mathematics (1994 -), at Sollers Hope Church on 23 October 2010. Jessica is not only an Old Herefordian, but also daughter of the late Rev'd Geoffrey Marsh (School Chaplain from 1985 to 1996) and Mrs Lesley Marsh who ran the CCF RN section for several years during the late 80's and early 90's. Jess's sister, Sarah Marsh is also an Old Herefordian (1985-1990).

Anthony (Ant) James Stones (OH 1993-2002) and Annabel Ruth De La Garde Savery.



Harriette Kate Parker (OH 2004) and Matthew Stuttard.

Hattie Parker was married at St Weonards Church, Herefordshire in the summer. Hattie was given away by her brother, Duncan Parker (OH), the maid of honour was Isabel Partridge and the bridesmaids were Christabel Pattison and Rachel Warner, all friends from HCS.



Anthony Stones and Annabel Savery were married at Bedstone Church, Shropshire; Annabel was formerly head girl at Bedstone College. Tom Harrington was best man. The reception was held at Lyde Arundel and in the evening two bands Ant had played in, one from university and one from school, started the music.

Anthony and Annabel met when they were sixteen and became engaged at a friend's wedding in 2009. Anthony is a graduate of Warwick University and studied for an MFA in Theatre Directing at Birkbeck in London and is now a freelance theatre director and playwright. Annabel was editor for Discovery Books in Ludlow before going freelance and moving to London to study for her Masters degree in English Literature.

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OH Travel

My Week in Santiago de Compostela

I set off on Saturday 21 August 2010 to spend a week studying at the University of Santiago de Compostela in Northern Spain, as part of the Open University's course *Viento en Popa*.

I had been studying this course throughout the year and the residential school at Santiago was an essential part of the course. Santiago de Compostela is the capital of the autonomous community of Galicia in Northern Spain. For centuries it has been an important focal point for all pilgrims. To this day, many Christians still decide to walk el *Camino de Santiago* (the Way of St James) which has existed for thousands of years and has many different short and long routes, some lasting up to several months, all terminating at the Gothic Cathedral dedicated to *Sant lago*.

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The participants at the Open University residential summer school were from all parts of the United Kingdom and beyond, and of all ages, from teenagers like myself to senior citizens, all of whom came together out of their common interest in Spain and the Spanish language, culture and civilisation.

Each day, the morning was spent doing grammar and oral lessons in classes. I found these to be enormously beneficial for my proposed study of Spanish at University. We were taught by native Spanish tutors from the region, who helped to develop our listening and oral skills, as classes were conducted only in Spanish. Afternoons were spent on excursions around the area, during which we were encouraged to speak only Spanish.

One of the highlights for me was visiting the beautiful and imposing Cathedral of Santiago situated in the centre of the ancient yet well preserved city. After queuing outside in the pouring rain for an hour, along with other pilgrims carrying their sticks and backpacks, our group finally managed to get inside the building. The cathedral is such a holy and sought-after destination because the bones of St James are buried there. The emblem of the scallop shell is seen everywhere in the city, the symbol of St James, worn by pilgrims. The interior of this holy place is so

impressive that no account can really do it justice. The two towers stand at more than 240 feet high. The sculptured Romanesque doorway has Christ in Majesty in the centre, flanked by the prophets of the Old Testament and the apostles of the church, with St James depicted directly above Jesus. The Day of Judgement is shown, where all the righteous people will be saved, while the wicked will suffer the tortures of hell. The sculptor displays a real sense of humour, depicting, for example, one glutton still eating a pie and another still drinking a carafe of wine, even while in the clutches of the devil and about to enter eternal damnation! In the crypt we saw the tomb in which the remains of St James lie under the altar and then we went up the steps to pass behind the altar, in order to embrace the magnificent thirteenth century statue of St James. We saw the statue of Santo dos Croques: touching it with the forehead is said to bring good luck and wisdom. I made sure I touched the statue!

Another day, we travelled by bus to the second largest city in Galicia, A Coruña, usually known in Britain as Corunna. This is a very busy port and provides a distribution point for local agricultural goods. We were given a tour of the city, in Spanish, starting first with Torre de Hércules (Tower of Hercules), rumoured to have been built by the mythical Greek hero Hercules himself, where we managed to reach the top after a 20 minute climb up never-ending steps. The view, however, was well worth it, for we had an absolutely magnificent view of the sea and the tourists bustling about below. We then visited one of the three main churches in A Coruña, the Iglesia de Santa María del Campo. Although not as stunning as the Cathedral of Santiago, the small church did itself justice, with a pretty altar in the centre along with many painted statues dedicated to Mary, mother of Jesus. Outside there is the very noticeable and tall monument of a cross.

We finished the tour of the city at the Jardín San Carlos, where the great British General Sir John Moore died in battle after fighting the French forces of Napoleon and where he is buried. Moore was the mastermind of the retreat to A Coruña, in an evacuation during the Peninsula Campaign which saved the British Army in the Napoleonic Wars. Faced with overwhelming odds - 180,000 French troops pitted against his army of 30,000 - Moore ordered his men into a march of 300 miles from Salamanca to the Atlantic ports of A Coruña and Vigo. There, all but 5,000 men boarded ships of the line and were saved. Tragically, Moore died after his left arm was almost completely severed in one of the final actions, but his tactics proved as influential in the outcome of the Napoleonic Wars as Dunkirk would be in the Second World War. These gardens, though open to the public and very busy, appeared to be remarkably silent as people paid their respects to General Moore. They are indeed a fitting memorial to the heroic British General.

During my stay, I noticed how integral the Galician language and culture are to Santiago. Galician is a distinctive language and has Celtic origins (like Welsh, Gaelic and Breton). The local people are all bilingual in both Galician and Castilian Spanish. As in other parts of Spain, such as Catalonia, during the Franco years, the Galician language was repressed and discouraged, but now it is making a renaissance and is very much encouraged. In fact, Galician is spoken by more than three million people and is recognised as one of the five lenguas españolas (Spanish languages) in Spain. Having been brought up as a child in Wales, before coming to Hereford, and having been in the Welsh stream of the Primary School I attended prior to joining HCS, I was very interested to observe the bilingual nature of the region, which reminded me of my own bilingual (English/Welsh) connections.

Throughout the city of Santiago, we heard the sound of bagpipes playing, especially in the Cathedral portico, a reminder of the Celtic tradition which has always been there. In addition, Galician cuisine is of major importance. We tried many different specialities during our stay, such as *tarta de Santiago*, a delicious almond pie, literally meaning the *cake of St James*. We also tasted *empañada*, a pastry dish resembling Cornish pasty (and the shape of which reveals its Celtic origins). On the last evening at the farewell party held at the summer school, we drank *queimada*, an alcoholic beverage of Galician tradition. It has a very distinctive and highly sweet taste.

All in all, I thoroughly enjoyed my stay at the University of Santiago de Compostela and, by the end of my week spent at the Open University summer school, I felt that my language skills had really improved as a result of my experience. I am very grateful for the contribution made by the Old Herefordians to my visit to Spain, as I discovered so much about the history and culture of Galicia, as well as having the possibility of speaking so much of the Spanish language. It was definitely the opportunity of a lifetime.

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Grace Roderick OH 2003-2010

Notable Old Herefordians

OH Somerset Scholars 5: Owain Westmacott Richards

OH, D.Sc., FRS (1901-84)

Song writer (FE Weatherly), professor of Sanskrit (EJ Rapson), priest (JH Ware), schoolmaster (G Yeld) – my first four Somerset scholars entered a wide range of professions. My fifth and the most recent, was one of the most distinguished entomologists of his generation.

The second of four talented sons of a Cardiff doctor, OW Richards entered HCS as a boarder in September 1912 - joining his brother and a growing number of Welsh

boys in School House -and left the school in July 1920. More than half of his eight years at school, therefore, coincided with the traumas and shortages of the First World War and the painful months of p o s t - w a r reconstruction.

Whatever the hardships, Owain Richards, like my first four scholars, steered through the privations with considerable success. By his last year, he had become a monitor, an editor of Herefordian, The secretary of the literary society and a lance corporal in the OTC, his appetite for outdoor work being revealed in the summer of 1918 when he put in a 13 hour day on a harvest camp -



one indicator perhaps of his later capacity for field work. In 1920, he was awarded a Somerset scholarship in mathematics to Brasenose College, Oxford.

At Oxford, Richards switched from mathematics to zoology, in which he gained a first class honours degree. Working under Julian Huxley, he then extended his considerable knowledge of the British insect fauna and of general entomology. In 1927, he became a research assistant at Imperial College, London, and remained there for the rest of his career, eventually becoming head of the department of Zoology and Applied Entomology and Director of the College Field station at Silwood Park.

His main contributions were to evolution theory, ecology and taxonomy. *The Variation of Animals in Nature* (1936) was an effective critique of the simplistic arguments for natural selection then current. In ecology, much of his work was on the population dynamics of a variety of British insects. And in taxonomy, he was an acknowledged authority on the Sphaerocerid flies and on the biology of aculeate Hymenoptera, his work culminating in his magnum opus, *The Social Wasps of the*

> that sustained the international reputation of his department in entomology. Ironically, for a school where all three of his headmasters (Murray Ragg, Henson and Crees) and most of their assistants were classicists, and for someone who studied little science (and no Biology) before university, Owain Richards became the author of more than 180 scientific papers and six books (including the production of a new edition of Imms, the entomologists' bible) and one of the greatest Old

Americas (1978). As a

teacher, it was his

influence, above all,

Herefordian scientists. But there is no doubting that his life-long appreciation of literature, music and history, as well as his love for the outdoors, was fostered during his formative years at the Cathedral School.

Howard Tomlinson

(The author respectfully suggests that any questions on the scientific aspects of this notice are referred to the present headmaster!)

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OH Memories

Choristers' Tea Party 1961



Back row standing: Stuart Davies; Ian Armitage; Jeremy Lidstone; Iain Chapman; Richard Young; John Hirst; Dr. Melville Cook; Gareth Powell-Price; Mrs. Dunnicliffe (wife of Canon Praecentor).

Middle row seated behind table: Nicholas Bevan; Martin Edwards; John Helme; Howard Davies; Leslie Hughes; Mrs Cook.

Front row: William Godwin; David Tilley; Paul Cobbold; Martin Locking.

Martin Edwards:

"The Bishop of Hereford at the time of the photograph was Tom Longworth. The occasion of the photograph was the tea party held in the garden of the Bishop's Palace following the annual Festival of Friends' service held in the Cathedral in July 1961. The large garden was laid out with tables and chairs for the many Friends who had attended the service. We [the choristers] were allotted a table in the corner of the garden from where it was hoped we would make minimum disturbance and cause least annoyance to our elders and betters. The photographer was from the Hereford Times."

Howard Davies, (OH 1961-196):

"One of the real bright spots in my years in the choir was the consecration of a new Bishop of Hereford, I think it

was in 1961. Bishop Tom Longworth had been a distant and seemingly cold character. When he retired and Bishop Mark Hodson replaced him we were in for a real change of climate. Bishop Mark was a warm character, had a sense of fun and liked children. When he met a small group of us he was interested to know about what we were doing, what our hopes and dreams were. He told us that we could visit him in the Bishop's Palace whenever we wanted. There was a metal gate with a chain and padlock separating the grounds of the Bishop's Palace from the Cathedral. Bishop Mark showed us how to work the lock so that it sprung open. I used it often and was always made very welcome.

Bishop Mark was particularly kind to me. One December he decided to throw a party for the choir boys in the Bishop's

Palace. I had had to have an operation in my mouth for cists and following a week's stay in hospital had been sent home to recover from an infection. Rather than let me miss the party Bishop Mark drove to my house to see if I would be well enough to attend the party even though I was still away from school. I told him that I would love to go, so on the day of the party he sent a car to collect me and arranged for me to be taken home afterwards. Bishop Mark had a great sense of fun and was one of the very few truly good, inspirational people I was lucky enough to meet in my life. He was a referee for me when I applied for College and for my first job. When I was going to marry, I took my wife-tobe to meet him and Mrs. Hodson and received the sort of welcome that only he could give."

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Teachers at Work!

These wonderful photographs of Cathedral School masters were taken by Mike Butcher (OH 1953-1960) who emigrated to Australia soon after leaving HCS.

"Pablo Bayliss took me for Maths and Spanish. His assessments of my abilities were equivocal. Joey Lush taught Maths and Geography, I think. Danny Rumsey knew this picture was being taken. He did us a disservice by not getting on top of differential equations. I suspect that not many candid pictures of masters on the job exist."



Joev Lush







Peter Fairman-Bourn:

"Mr P G S Bayliss BA., BSc., was always very strict with his pupils in class so it's quite remarkable to see him relaxing here with his feet up. I've no idea who the person by the window is but... I can almost hear 'Pooh' shouting "Take your hands away from your mouth boy!!" Maybe this was a private tutorial or an extra maths lesson for his more senior students? He eventually became Deputy Headmaster after Mr S. (Tiger) Bell retired.

Where are they now?

Wind In The Willows



This photograph was sent in by Miles K. Quest (OH 1947-1957) who can be seen standing at the back – far right. It features the cast of a Play circa. 1950 produced by Mrs Fanny Wardle, wife of former Deputy Head, Harry Wardle -Housemaster of Deanery at the time. This shot was taken in The Cloisters following a full Dress Rehearsal and in the centre is Canon Jack, Stage Manager.

Miles would very much like to link up with his former contemporaries from that period.

Back row L to R: D. L. (Ditch) Pritchard; Lionel J. H. (Kipper) Kent; Mr Jack; Lawton P.(Lip) Evans; C. J. (Byron) Mages; xx; M K Quest.

Middle Row L to R: Glyn Thomas (standing); Ian Flack; R. M. (Bobby) Milne; Maurice (Mo) Moore; Derek (Tommy) Farr; W. D. (Dai) Prosser.

Front Row L to R: Mouser Mathews; Geoffrey M. Fisher; J. E. (Chick) Crowley; Richard (Dick) Llewellin; D. P. E. (Dai) Cole.

Ian Flack (OH 1947 – 1951) still has the original programme listing all the characters. If you recognise the missing name (back row) or would like to add some comments about the Play, please contact Peter Fairman-Bourn **ohil@ohclub.co.uk** with your input and observations.

Benefactor's Books

These books were given to the school by Alan Morris, former teacher, who purchased them about 25 years ago.

They are A V Zimmerman's books given to him as School Prizes for French and German between 1904 and 1907. Arthur Zimmerman left a legacy to the school and one of the school buildings is named in his memory.





Yard Cricket circa 1959

Can anyone identify the names of the unnamed lads queuing up to have a slog in the playground during break? Were you one of the boys walking in the foreground?

This image was sent in by Michael Butcher (OH 1953–1960) who emigrated to Australia soon after leaving HCS. He captured the shot by leaning out of the top window of Big School using his brand new 2¹/₄ inch square-format Baldessa with range finder, given to him by his parents as a sixteenth birthday present.

From left to right: 1. Small boy with satchel? (Silly Mid On); 2. Boy raising left shoulder? (Silly Point); 3. Miles Malleson (Slip No. 6); 4. Mathews raising left hand (Slip No. 5); 5. Boy with specs? (3rd Slip); 6. Keith Edwards (2nd Slip); 7. Boy hidden at back? (Slip No. 4); 8. Boy with mouth open? (1st Slip);

9. E S Judge (Wicketkeeper); 10. Clive Pearce (Batsman); 11. Terry Prince at back looking on; 12. Barry Pugh; 13. Brian Morris (1st Leg Slip & next man in); 14. J Vickerman - wincing (2nd Leg Slip); 15. Beverley Smith - tall one at back; 16. John Dauncey in front (3rd Leg Slip); 17. Peter Worthing - back row; 18. David Hughes – back row; 19. Peter Fairman-Bourn (with hands in pockets!)



The Close in Living Memory

'The Close in Living Memory' film premiered at the Borderlines Festival in March of this year to huge acclaim.

It was the culmination of 18 months research, interviewing and filming of the often extraordinary stories that took place in and around the Cathedral Close. The DVD producers, Catcher Media, had a wealth of material to choose from with many Old Herefordians contributing some



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fun and thought provoking tales. As the film focussed on living memories of the Cathedral Close, many other stories about the Cathedral School could not be featured. It became clear that this vein of material - a living memory and historical record of the Cathedral School - was a rich one. Catcher Media is exploring the possibility of extending 'The Close in Living Memory' project to a 'Cathedral School in Living Memory' project. Of course, this is subject to funding. We would be delighted to hear from any Old Herefordians who may be interested in this project who have a story to tell of their school days. Please contact either Rick or Julia Goldsmith at info@catchermedia.co.uk. t: 01432 277424 or Marsha O'Mahony marsha.omahony@gmail.com. m: 07989 733870.

Meanwhile, you might be interested in just a sample of Hereford School Day memories we captured.

Recording memories

"Nobody, unless they were authorised, walked on the Close.

Definitely, as I've said, did not go on the grass. That would be an absolute cardinal sin and would be three strokes of the cane without a doubt. without any hesitation and with no time to put your exercise book down your trousers"

"The three of us were playing football in one of the Cloisters and the ball unfortunately damaged quite badly a priceless stained glass window. WE wouldn't admit to it initially but of course we were found out and I was expelled. My parents went to see Sir Percy Hull and explained that they would punish me and he said, 'Well, I will punish him as well.' And I was reinstated as head boy. I didn't get the bicycle I had been promised for my birthday and Sir Percy gave me six or eight of the best. So I had a very sore bottom for some days to remind me not to play football where there are stained glass windows. You live and learn."

"The Close meant everything to us school boys because we could nip across. We had a lovely English Master who enjoyed gin so he'd take us across the Close to the Spread Eagle for a quiet one and particularly pleasurable from my point of view was at the bottom of Quay Street was the old Hereford Art College and we could see the very attractive art students coming out. And the Close was quite an important place for courting."

Copies of The Close In Living Memory DVD are available from the Cathedral Shop or from Catcher Media: info@catchermedia.co.uk.

OH Newsletter 2010 Cover Photos



Photos 6 & 8:

They show CCF trip to Cwm Gwdi camp in the Brecon Beacons, July 1983. Angela Meredith in the white hat, Bobby Bound, Noel Lester, Robert McDonald and Mike Pierson are in each shot.

> The picture could have been taken either by Anna Henley or Mr Briggs.

Photo 9:

Girls' boarding house circa 1986 and includes middle row third from left Angela Cook (sadly died a few years ago) next to Juliette Austen Adams.

Photo 13:

Hockey 1st team circa 1986 and includes Liz Clarke (back row second from right) next to Jane Sutton, and Sarah Jane Court in the front (second from right).

Photo 3:

A sporting team (cricket I presume from the whites!) including back row (I-r) Richard Binnersley, Clive Weston, xx, Angus MacDonald, xx, xx and front row (I-r) Richard Wood, Andrew Bilt, Dominic Harbour.

Photo 5:

A Royal visitor to Hereford: April 1958 on the occasion of the visit of HRH Princess Alexandra. HCS CCF paraded in the centre of Castle Green, alongside the Sea Cadet Corps, Scouts, Guides, Boys Brigade, Junior Leaders Regiment etc. Princess Alexandra had come to meet the 'Hereford Youth'; she addressed the crowd from a dais mounted on an elevated grass bank.

From the left; UO Manning RM on the end and next to him is UO Greenland TB, both with sticks under their left arms.

From the right (second row) is L/Cpl Read MJ and

behind him (third row) is Cpl Tucker W. In the front row nearest camera L/Cpl Bourn P and possibly T. A. Foxton at No. 2, Cdt Jones DIM at No.3 with Sgt Bartlett JK, the tall one, at No.6.

Thanks to Peter Fairman Bourn (Photo 5); Angela Jones (nee Meredith) OH1979-1986 (Photos 6 & 8); and Julie North (nee Harries), OH 1980-1987 (Photos 3, 6, 9 and 13) for providing information.

OLD HEREFORDIANS' CLUB

Obituaries

We have been notified of the following Old Herefordians who have sadly passed away and we offer our condolences to their families and friends.

John A Butler OH 1947-1954

John Butler passed away at St Michael's Hospice, Hereford on 14 September 2011, aged 75.



John was born and bred in Herefordshire and it was here that he met Diana his wife of 47 years and they had their children Pete (OH 1978-1986), Kate and Sarah who in turn have produced nine grandchildren between them! John had a love of walking and he loved the fact that he often bumped into HCS contemporaries wherever he went in his beloved Herefordshire whether he was in Hereford City, walking in the Black Mountains or frequenting the local hostelries.

At HCS John was an active member of rugby and cricket teams and the CCF, which was very handy because he used his army boots blacked for CCF and blancoed for cricket! He always talked fondly of his time at HCS and was a proud Old Herefordian.

Following the founding of the Marches 7s by Bob Talbot and Don Theakston, John took great pride in supporting the development of the tournament, which his son Pete benefited from as the second generation of Butlers at HCS.

Over the past few years John's HCS involvement continued through his attendance at many OH events and also very proudly as an energetic supporter on touchlines, boundaries, hockey pitches and at many plays and cathedral services for four of his grandchildren (Ben, Will, George and Sophie) who are now the third generation at HCS.

John Butler was Hereford Rugby Club Secretary for over twenty years, starting in 1968. He was both an Honorary Vice-President and an Honorary Life member.

John's wife Diana would like to thank all OHs for their kind messages and support and for recounting great memories of John.

Fiona Butler (John's daughter-in-law)

Gomer Newman Cosker OH 1944-1947

Gomer Cosker, born 1930, died at St Michael's Hospice, Hereford on 9 June 2011. Gomer's funeral took place at St Mary's Church, Fownhope.

"I first met Gomer in 1943 when he came to HCS as a boarder with his three brothers. Both Gomer and I were in the same form and the whole class benefited by

having him with us as he was constantly asking questions. It was at Hereford that he developed a passion for cricket which remained with him throughout his life. Because of a disability, he was unable to play so he became the first team scorer; the score sheets were always kept in immaculate condition and were his pride and joy.



Upon leaving school he worked for The National Farmers' Union and later for The Sun Alliance in Cardiff. In 1968 he went to work for the insurance company C&T Bowring in South Africa. Whilst there, he met up with an HCS contemporary of his, Ian Edwards. Gomer became a qualified cricket umpire and started his own cricket team which he called The Noblemen.

He returned to Hereford in 1982 and started his own insurance brokerage business in King Street, where he remained until he retired in 1988. He became a member of the MCC and a vice-president of Rhayader Cricket Club, both of which gave him much pleasure. Gomer had a very active mind and a great sense of humour, making an impression upon all who met him; he will be sorely missed by us all."

Peter Thomas (OH 1943-1949)

Air Marshal Sir Geoffrey Dhenin OH 1928-1936



Geoffrey Dhenin, centre, with the Canberra jet aircraft he flew through an atomic cloud, Australia 1953. (Photograph: Graham Pitchfork)

Air Marshal Sir Geoffrey Dhenin died at home on 6 May aged 93. He was born on 2 April 1918; educated at HCS and St John's College, Cambridge, and he completed his medical studies at Guy's Hospital.

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He joined the RAF in 1943 as a junior medical officer and served in bomber stations in Lincolnshire. He was awarded the George Medal following his brave rescue of a gunner from the burning wreckage of a crashed Lancaster bomber. After D-Day, Dhenin joined a mobile field hospital and was involved in the evacuation by air of war casualties. In 1945 he trained as a pilot and became a Flying Medical Officer; in 1950 he was appointed to the staff of No. 1 Flying College Course. He qualified as a senior specialist in radiology and in 1953 joined Bomber Command as Deputy Principal Medical Officer (Flying).

In 1953 Britain tested two atomic detonations in the Australian desert: Operation Hurricane. Geoffrey Dhenin volunteered to pilot the plane which flew through the centre of the mushroom cloud to collect radiation readings. The crew exceeded the permitted radiation dose and the aircraft was found to be highly radioactive. Dhenin was awarded an AFC. He later remarked: 'We have seen Dante's Inferno'. In 1957 he flew to Christmas Island to take part in Operation Grapple, Britain's H-bomb test. He flew through the cloud above 50,000 feet to obtain radiation samples from the nuclear explosions. He was awarded a bar to his AFC.

His RAF career continued for another twenty years: RAF Staff College, Bracknell 1958-1959; Commander RAF Hospital, Akrotiri, Cyprus 1960-1963; RAF Hospital, Ely 1963-1966; Principal Medical Officer, RAF Air Support Command 1966-1968; Director of Health and Research, RAF, Ministry of Defence 1968-1970; Deputy Director General of Medical Services, RAF, Ministry of Defence 1970-1971; 1970 appointed Honorary Physician to the Queen; Principal Medical Officer, RAF Strike Command 1971-1974; Fellow, International Academy of Aerospace Medicine 1972; Director General of Medical Services, RAF, Ministry of Defence 1974-1978; Fellow of Faculty of Community Medicine 1975. He retired from the RAF in 1978 and was appointed advisor to the National Guard, Saudi Arabia from 1978 to 1979.

He married his first wife, Evelyn Rabut, in 1946; she died in 1996. In 2002 he married, secondly, Syvia Howard, who survives him with a son and two daughters of his first marriage. A second son predeceased him.

[Extensive obituaries appeared in both *The Telegraph* and *The Guardian* newspapers.]

Howard Tomlinson writes: I met Geoffrey Dhenin only once, in late 1987, when he was guest of honour at an Old Herefordian dinner during my first term as Headmaster at Hereford Cathedral School. His own headmaster (Dr Crees) more than 50 years previously would not have predicted Geoffrey Dhenin's extraordinary career in the RAF. But he would have well recognised his leadership and intellectual qualities for Dhenin was not only his head monitor (1934-1936), but also captain of rugby for two years, captain of cricket for one, senior editor of the school magazine, senior librarian and vice-president of the debating society.

Remarkably, he studied little science at school, winning an open scholarship in classics and a Kitchener memorial scholarship to St. John's College, Cambridge in 1935-1936, despite Dr Crees having likened his batting to his Greek prose as being *"bold, adventurous and at times being disfigured by ugly solecisms"*.

Geoffrey Dhenin was a great man and a distinguished Old Herefordian.

Michael Andrew Greenwood OH 1952-1957

The Club has been informed of the death of Captain Michael Greenwood in June 2011.

Nigel Edward Harris OH 1957-1963

Nigel Harris died suddenly at his home in Exmouth. The Harris Family ran Harris's Café in Broad Street throughout the Fifties and Sixties; they lived always in Bodenham Road. Hereford Cathedral School looked after Nigel from Preparatory to Senior School - ending his HCS days as a doyen of 5c. Nigel was not academic but never let that get in the way of enjoying life. He was an excellent athlete and played rugby for School throughout, ending as a First XV and West Midlands' wing-half.

He went to Catering College which served him well as, after becoming a Regional Manager for Compass Group, he with a colleague formed a very successful business advising Education Authorities on school meals. Good old 5c!

Nigel played for Exmouth Rugby Club until well into his forties and retained a natural fitness throughout. He then managed and coached various sides and was a demon groundsman and much valued committee member. He died suddenly at home in Exmouth last July leaving a daughter Kate and sister Bridget, his wife Sue having pre deceased him by two years."

Richard Woore (OH 1957-1963)

James Henry David Leeke OH 1948-1954

David Leeke died suddenly in 2008 at the age of 71. He was a boarder in School House and on leaving school he took articles and qualified as a Chartered Accountant. He became a partner in the firm Williams

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Ross, was a member of the Institute of Taxation and, later in his career, an Independent Financial Advisor.

His family originally came from Tonypandy in the Rhondda Valley, where his grandfather had established a blacksmith's shop in the early 1900's. His grandfather had grown up in Hereford and this was one of the reasons David was sent to HCS.

David was always very proud of his Welsh origins, especially the development of the family business, Leekes. During his retirement he wrote and published a history of this business, tracing its growth from the blacksmith's shop to the multi-million pound organisation today, with a chain of retail department stores and a leisure business.

David was a keen sportsman all his life. He represented the school in cricket and rugby, and continued to play both for many years afterwards, as well as squash, tennis and skiing. He took up golf in his 50's and in 2005-2006 was captain of Tenby Golf Club in Pembrokeshire, a championship course and the oldest club in Wales. He played a very active part in life in the Vale of Glamorgan where he and his wife lived, acting as a trustee to many local charities, which benefited greatly from his professional advice.

David is very greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Jeannette Leeke

Richard John (Dick) Lloyd OH 1934-1940

Richard John Lloyd passed away on 23 May 2011, aged 88. He will be sadly missed.

Howard Charles Warrender Nicholls OH 1942-1949



Howard died in Porthcawl, 2 March 2011, at the age of 79. He was best known for his rugby career. He played



for Bridgend, Maesteg, Cardiff and Wales at centre or on the wing (in the days when the wing threw the ball into the lineout!). He played 150 times for Cardiff over seven seasons and

scored 68 tries.

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team's top try-

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scorer during the 1957-58 season with 20 touchdowns and played in Cardiff's famous 14-11 triumph over Australia at the Arms Park in 1957. In 1958 he played for Wales in their 9-6 victory over Ireland at Lansdowne Road. I was in my first year at HCS and remember it well as we had a day off in his honour!

Howard was born in Maesteg in 1931 and ran the family firm of butchers there after a brief spell in banking. He was a keen ornithologist and travelled all over the world in pursuit of his passion. He played golf at the Royal Porthcawl Golf Club and was a terror at liar dice with his golfing companions.

He and Jill had four children but Jill died from cancer at the tragically young age of 49. Liz and I were fortunate to count them as friends and watch their family growing up. He had five grandchildren with another one due on the day after his funeral. In latter years he had a companion, Sylvia, who helped the family care for him in his illness.

He was a most modest man who was best described as a gentleman.

Andrew Singer (OH 1957-1964)

Philip Pritchard OH 1940-1947

Philip Pritchard died, aged 80, at home in Eastbourne on 27 September 2010. The funeral was held at Eastbourne Crematorium and his ashes were interred in the family plot at St Martin's Church, Ross Road, Hereford.

R. Anthony Shepherd OH 1950-1957

Anthony Shepherd died in Burnley on 18 January, 2011 aged 70. Anthony Passed away peacefully with his family by his side. He leaves his wife Avril, and children Melissa and Richard.

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Exam Results

Hereford Cathedral School students recorded their best ever A Level results this year: an outstanding 24.3% of all grades were at an 'A*' level. The school also celebrated an impressive 100% pass rate.

Over three-quarters (78.6%) of all grades achieved were at least a 'B' grade or above and 59% of all grades achieved were either 'A*' or 'A'. Out of 67 candidates, 39 achieved all 'A*'-'B' grades, with 28 students gaining all 'A*'-'A' grades. Five pupils (8%) have also been accepted to either Oxford or Cambridge University this year. (See page 34 for student destinations)

Nine of the school's 23 subjects studied at A Level witnessed 100% 'A*'-'B' pass rates, with the HCS Philosophy & Ethics Department achieving an amazing 100% A* pass rate.

Four students who trialled the new Extended Projects Qualification (EPQ) are also celebrating success: three gained A* grades and one student was awarded an A. The new qualification, recognised by universities and employers, encourages students to undertake a project of their choosing and involves a public presentation of their study.

National Classics Award

Hereford Cathedral School has won a national Classics Award after achieving the best point score of any English school for boys taking Classical Civilisations at A Level.

HCS has been awarded the 2011 'Good Schools Guide' A Level Award, in recognition of the school's underlying performance table results for the three years 2008, 2009 and 2010 combined. In recent years, the HCS Classics Department has also developed strong partnerships with many local Herefordshire schools, and has offered several successful free classics outreach events, aimed at encouraging county participation in the subject.



Classics production: Clouds

Not to be outdone, GCSE students also recorded their best ever results, as 35.5% of all grades were at an A* level. The school also celebrated over a fifth of students receiving all A* to A grades.

85.7% of all grades achieved were at least a 'B' grade or above and 66% of all grades achieved were either 'A*' or 'A.' Out of 75 candidates, 16 students gained all 'A*'-'A' grades, with 100% of candidates securing at least 5 'A*' to 'C' grades. One third of candidates attained at least five or more 'A*' grades.



GCSE Results Day

UK Biology Olympiads

An incredible 100% of Hereford Cathedral School entrants attained a high level of commendation in the first round of the UK Biology Olympiads.

All six Cathedral School entrants achieved a Gold, Silver or Bronze Medal or Certificate of Commendation during the competition, organised by the Institute of Biology and the School of Biosciences. 2,850 students from 337 schools across the UK took part.



Biology Olympiad Prize Winners

Green Accolade

Hereford Cathedral School was awarded the top prize in the Pedicargo CO₂ Awards 2011 for recycling waste paper.

The award ceremony was held at the Courtyard Theatre on 17 October as part of Hereford h:Energy Week. Well done to the school Green Team, led by Head of Geography Mrs Rhian Floyd, for organising the paper recycling collection.

Cathedral School Features on 'The Archers'

Regular listeners of BBC Radio 4's long lasting Archers series will know that the children of recently deceased Nigel Pargetter and his widow Elizabeth sat the entrance examination for The Cathedral School.

What you might not know is that the assessment process for the Archers 'Cathedral School' is modelled on that of Hereford Cathedral School. This is no coincidence, as Admissions Officer Mrs Selena Fortey was contacted by the popular radio series and asked about Hereford Cathedral School's admissions process.

Bulls Chairman Speaks to the School



Hereford Cathedral School welcomed back David Keyte (OH 1965-1972) as the invited speaker at this year's School Speech Day and Prize Giving in July.

David Keyte has been chairman of Hereford United (The Bulls) since June 2010. In the 1970s he played for Hereford United Reserves and he also played football for Westfields FC. An allround sportsman, he was

Headmaster Paul Smith with Speech Day guest, David Keyte.

also a cricketer, playing as a wicket-keeper for Worcestershire 2nd XI.

A businessman and an accountant by profession, in 2000 he was appointed Bursar at Bredon School, an independent school near Tewkesbury. Quickly promoted to General Manager, he bought the school in 2002 and became Principal. In 2009 he sold the school whilst remaining as Principal before retiring from his position in the summer of 2010.

The Stonemason's Tale

Cathedral School students were part of *The Stonemason's Tale*, a 400-strong procession of dancers, artists, musicians and elaborate carnival

structures parading through Hereford's High Town this summer, celebrating 1000 years of Hereford's fascinating history.

It was the colourful and spectacular culmination of an impressive year long project complementing the recent renovation of Hereford Cathedral Close.



Boy Bishop

Rory Turnbull has been appointed Boy Bishop this year.

The tradition of Boy Bishop originates from medieval times and is now only seen in a handful of cathedrals across the country. Rory's sermon, given during the Boy Bishop Service, was outstanding and many have commented on its scholarly content and erudite delivery. Unknown to Rory, and most of the congregation, his sermon was also heard by a cabinet minister (Mr Dominic Grieve, Attorney General) who was spotted by the eagle eye of Mr Jackson. Congratulations to Rory who is not only Boy Bishop but also had a singing part in *'The Magic Flute'* touring with the Welsh National Opera.



Music

It has been yet another busy year for the Music department, which started with our musicians playing for royalty, when Princess Anne visited Hereford, and also for the occasion of the Elizabeth Cross Award Ceremony held by the Lord Lieutenant.



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In March, Hereford Cathedral School was host to a large Choral and Orchestral Concert in which children representing fourteen Herefordshire Schools gave a performance of the Haydn 'Nelson' Mass in the cathedral.

The project, supported by *allpay*, was directed by the school's Director of Music, David Evans. The massed chorus of nearly 300 voices and HCS Senior Symphony Orchestra performed the 'Nelson' Mass, with four exceptional soloists including Rauri Bowen OH, choral scholar at King's College, Cambridge.

Particular mention must also go to Cantabile who have sung with Brit Award winning 'Blake' on two separate occasions, once in the Courtyard, Hereford, and once to a packed Gloucester Cathedral. Cantabile have also sung in concerts at Cheltenham, Monmouth, Abergavenny and Hereford.



Choristers meet the The Rt Hon. John Bercow MP, Speaker of the House of Commons at the Guards Chapel, London.

HCS Sport

England Talent

Two HCS students have been selected to represent England at Rounders.

Tessa Langford will represent England at Under 21 level and **Megan Fitt** will represent England at Under 14 level. Both pupils are HCS Sports Scholars and are delighted to be selected.



Tessa and Megan wearing their England kit

The Under 13 girls' cricket squad were runners-up in a national tournament.



After winning the Midlands tournament in Leicestershire, the girls qualified for the National Indoor Finals at Lords cricket ground in May. Hereford Cathedral Under 13 girls came second in the final, a great achievement as 575 schools had entered the competition.

Both boys' and girls' teams have dominated the county championships with the boys winning the U14, and U15 **Rugby** County cup and the U13 Plate. The first XV won 12 of their 14 matches played this season.

The girls have won the County U14, U16 and U18 **Hockey** championships and the U14 and U18 County **Netball** championships, while the U16 team were runners up. Sixteen girls have been selected for County Netball Training Squads.

Our **Rowers** have competed at a high level and have won numerous cups, the most prestigious wins being at Pangbourne where we competed against the likes of Eton, Shrewsbury and



Abingdon, all with well established large boat clubs.

Our **Equestrians** won the team trophy at the British Inter-Schools (ODE) Eventing Championships at Stonar School in Wiltshire.

Independent Schools' Judo Champion

Michael and Christopher Poolton competed in the HMC Independent Schools' Boys' Judo Tournament in High Wycombe.

Christopher won Gold for HCS, becoming Junior U55kg Independent Schools' Champion. Michael, last year's U16



U73kg Independent Schools' Champion and U73kg British Schools' Judo Championship silver medallist, gained Bronze for the school.

Christopher and Michael Poolton also both achieved a bronze medal in the British Schools Judo Competition in Sheffield, this year.

Sports Stars Come to Hereford

Hereford Cathedral School hosted The Andrew Flintoff Cricket Academy in July.

Using the extensive sports facilities offered by HCS, the five day fun-filled cricket camp coached young enthusiasts in every aspect of playing cricket.



Former Wales International, Garin Jenkins, came to HCS to coach our students and the Herefordshire Rugby Development Squad.

Twenty-two young players attended his coaching session, which was a community sporting event hosted by Hereford Cathedral School. Garin discussed the game, his career, inspirations and passion for rugby, and also led the group through a series of drills and match-day preparations.

HCS Library goes global

The Library's new search engine launches HCS pupils into virtual academic libraries.

The Library has funded subscriptions to a select number of sites which are specifically designed for further and higher education. Students can now access specific, academic resources used by graduates and undergraduates across the world whether they are at a computer or not. E-books follow close behind.

One institution, "EBSCO", has just been made available via Smart phones, including iphone, and ipod Touch. Staff and pupils can access the highest quality learning whether at a computer, waiting in the street, or in transit on the bus!

Demonstrating the capability of the new technology to pupils is a challenge. If anyone has access to iPhones or Smart phones that the school could use, or if you have any expertise, or are curious to know more, please get in touch with the Librarian. We would welcome any help testing new applications and spreading the expertise across the school.

Duke of Edinburgh Experience by Anna Davies

It would be fair to say that before I participated in the Duke of Edinburgh Award, I only had a vague idea of what it is all about.

I had no appreciation for the luxury bathrooms, running water, electricity, food that is cooked in an oven, after which you can put the plates into a dishwasher. Never more have I coveted my mattress and duvet than when in a tent, on a hill, wearing all the clothes I had, because lets face it, while the Spanish Pyrenees are scorching in the day time, at night the dessert effect occurs; a tent is a tent, you are essentially outside.

But to anyone who is contemplating the Award, don't let that put you off! While at the time you will wonder at your own sanity (you volunteer for this!) it seems that as soon as one expedition is complete, you cannot wait for the next adventure. I went through Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards. And if I was offered the opportunity again, I wouldn't think twice.

However, the Awards are about more than self-sufficient expeditions in the middle of nowhere. Also to be completed are months of Volunteering, Physical Recreation as well as a Skills Section. I enjoyed these aspects of the Award as they got me involved in activities such as working at a Sue Ryder Charity Shop, an experience that taught me many life skills; from dealing with customers to working the till. (I'm hoping that will come in handy when job hunting as a student!) The Skills Section returned me to the piano, and for my Physical Recreation Section I continued with Ballet, gaining my Grade 8 this year.

DoE widened my experiences and friendship groups, both within and outside of the school community. The friendships I made are built upon shared memories; from getting utterly lost in woods that did not seem to have been explored by humans, to watching the Spanish Search and Rescue team on the look out for a missing redjumpered man. A very uninjured, red-jumpered Colonel Eames was the first to be found... needless to say the helicopter had some more work to do! It is experiences like these, and the satisfaction of completing a four day hike, that proves the DoE to be a truly rewarding adventure.



OLD HEREFORDIANS' CLUB

Supporting Charities

The continuing support of pupils and staff at HCS for charitable causes has again resulted in large sums of money from many fantastic fund-raising events.

We donated ± 1000 to our link school in Ghachok, Nepal, and ± 1000 to the local based charity, Concern Universal, for work in Mozambique and Tanzania. Our Fashion Show raised $\pm 3,500$ shared between The Little Princess Trust and The Martha Trust.



Money was also sent to the Cathedral School in Christchurch, New Zealand which lost several buildings in the earthquake and over ± 3000 has been added to the cause following the sponsored cycle ride from Hereford Cathedral to St. David's in Wales organised Mr Evans, Head of Music. The Japanese and Haitian earthquake appeals also received donations.

The Royal British Legion has presented the school with a special award in recognition of the large amount of money raised in support of the Poppy appeal.



Duncan Parker OH returned to school for Science Week to give an illustrated talk on his trip to Madagascar.

Staff News

We wish a happy retirement to:



Mr Jim Shutt has taught Biology at HCS for thirty years; for the last thirteen years he has been Head of Stuart House. In his time at the school Mr Shutt has been involved in a huge range of activities including Head of Junior Science, Biology field trips, the Biology Department garden and pond, an exchange programme to Strasbourg, mentoring student teachers in their induction year, drugs education and imparting his love of photography to keen amateur photographers. However, such a list does little to credit the impact that Mr Shutt has had on the individual lives of pupils over the years.

Mr Shutt's pastoral care of pupils has been exemplary. With his avuncular manner he has been a popular Head of House: organising the Year 7 Dinedor camp, supporting Stuart House at swimming galas and cheering them to victory at Sports Day on many occasions. As well as devoting most of his working life to HCS and being the father of two OHs, he has joined wholeheartedly in the school's extra-curricular activities: school plays, concerts, field trips, result days; evening performances, over weekends or half-terms the ubiquitous Mr Shutt was there – usually with his camera to record events for the school magazine. 'Thank you' Mr Shutt.



Dr Greg Mowe joined HCS in January 1986 as a part-time biologist, by the following September he had been made a full-time member of staff. In his time at the school Dr Mowe has been involved with time-tabling, general studies, sixth form coordination, invigilation of examinations, academic monitoring, UCAS and Higher education, the setting up of a wildlife garden as well as being a tutor and, between 2002 and 2009, running the Biology Department. He has been an enthusiastic and popular teacher with a passion for Darwinian evolution, orchids and rock climbing. In the summer term of 2001 Dr

Mowe spent a sabbatical term in Nepal, made links with Ghachok School and was instrumental in setting up the Ghachok committee and the annual treks to Nepal.



Mr John Morris, Careers Adviser, joined HCS in 1998. He has established an excellent Careers Department and worked tirelessly on behalf of the school and its pupils and many owe him a huge debt of gratitude for securing them a place at the university of their choice. It is to his credit that well over 90% of HCS students are successful in achieving their first choice university. John's passion is cricket: he is a qualified coach, represented Herefordshire over 50s, was chairman of the Marches Cricket League for five years and is Life Member of Kandy Cricket Club in Sri Lanka.

Lieutenant John Lee, Contingent Commander CCF Royal Naval section has retired for a third time. He first retired from the Royal Navy, then from a teaching career and now from HCS CCF. Lieutenant Lee has seen service as a Royal Marine Commando, as an outdoor-pursuits instructor, as a teacher, as a CCF Contingent Commander and as an expert canoeist. Lieutenant Lee certainly leaves HCS CCF Naval Contingent both thriving and ship-shape, which can largely be attributed to his good humour and inspiration.

Moving on:



Mr Eddie Falshaw was appointed as Head of History in 2000. He is widely recognised as an outstanding classroom teacher and has sat on various school and curriculum development committees, organised and run numerous trips, and most recently spearheaded the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) at the school. He has made a major contribution to school sport, especially rugby. Mr Falshaw leaves us to become Deputy Head at Leighton Park School in Berkshire.

New staff:

Head of History: Mr Philip Wright who was previously Head of History at Aldenham School. Biology Department: Miss Duigan and Mrs Whitmore. Careers: Mrs Mary McCumisky.

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Destinations 2011

Sophie BECKETT Hermione BILTON Hannah BLOWER **Charlotte BOWLER** Jan BOYD Tom BULL Asher CARRUTHERS Neil COCKBURN **Oliver CROSS** Anna DAVIES Samuel DAVIES Annabelle DFNT Xander DRURY Katie DUDLEY Siobhan DUFFY Sian EVANS **Rhian FRITH** Simon GEORGE Chloe GILBERT Theo GURGUL Ben HANAFI George HANKS George HEARD T J HENCHOZ **Bethan HUNT** Ben INGRAM Sam JONES Tom KNIGHT Tess LANGFORD Michelle LAYTON Nicholas LEEDS Frederick LIFELY Lottie LORD Iona MACLEOD Joseph MADDERS Alexander MATHIE Aimee MCLAUGHLIN Abi MEREDITH Hannah MORGAN David MORRIS **Dominic NOBLE** James NOWOSIELSKI Kate OWENS James PARKER Lucy PARKER Thomas PHILLIPS **Evie PRICE** Beniamin RAMAGE-SMITH Scott ROBINSON Jonas RODERICK Becky SAYCE Anna SHERWOOD **Benjamin SHIRAZI Eleanor SMITH** Stephanie STREET Maggie TATE Alex THORMAN Christopher VAUGHAN Eleanor VINER Josh WALKER Mathew WALNE Sam WILCOX Darcy WILLIAMS Frederick WILLIAMS Lisa WILLIAMS Dan WOOD Joshua WOODERSON DNA = Destination Not Advised

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What's On 2011-2012

All Old Herefordians and Friends of Hereford Cathedral School are welcome to attend the following events:

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Novem	ber 2	011			J			
Thurs Fri Sat Sun Wed	10 11 12 13 16	7pm 1pm 2.30pm 10am 1.15pm	Words and Music for R Year 7 Rugby Festival Rugby - 1st, 2nd Xv an CCF takes part in Reme Lunchtime concert	nd U12 v King's Worcs	Hereford Cathedral Hereford RFC Wyeside High Town St John's Church			
Wed Fri Tues Wed	16 18 22 23	3.15pm 6pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Rugby - 1st and 2nd X Historical Association I Upper School Musical ³ Upper School Musical ³	Lecture •	Wyeside HCS Library HCS HCS			
Thurs Thurs Mon	24 24 28	7.30pm 4pm 7pm	Upper School Musical* Hockey - 1st XV v Chel Instrumental Concert	÷	HCS Leisure Centre St John's Church			
December 2011								
Sat Sun Fri	3 4 9	2.30pm 3.30pm 7.30pm	Rugby U12 v Lucton Ceremony of Boy Bisho John Peters former RA Iraq. Talk and Curry Nic	.F pilot captured in ght.* (£25)	Wyeside Hereford Cathedral Shire Hall			
Sat	10	10am 7.30pm	OH Day including lunch Music and sport** Castle House Dinner**		HCS Castle House Hotel			
Wed Sat	14 17	1.15pm 12.30pm	Lunchtime Concert	h Form Leavers 2011**	St John's Church			
January	201		Londeth Const		Ct. Ishari Cl.			
Fri Fri	13 27	1.15pm <mark>tbc</mark> 6pm	Lunchtime Concerts Lecture: Attorney Gener Historical Association I	ral, Dominic Grieve MP* Lecture	St John's Church HCS HCS Library			
Februa	February 2012							
Sun	26	1.15pm All day	Lunchtime Concerts Marches 7's		St John's Church Wyeside			
March 2	2012							
Sat Thurs Wed Thurs	10 15 28 29 29	1.15pm 6pm 7pm 2.30pm 11am-3pm	Lunchtime Concerts Oxbridge OH Reunion Historical Association Zimbe - Music Outreac Commemoration Day OHIL Lunch (£20)	Lecture	St John's Church Oxford University HCS Zimmerman Hereford Cathedral Hereford Cathedral London			
April 2012								
Tues	24	1.15pm 6.30pm	Lunchtime Concerts OH London Dinner** (£55; student concessio	on available)	St John's Church East India Club			
May 20 [°]	12							
Thurs	10		Lunchtime Concerts OH Golf Day (£45)		St John's Church Belmont Golf Club			
June 20	712	1.15pm	Lunchtime Concerts		St John's Church			
Sat Sat	tbc 23	Lunchtime	OH Reunion - 1982-19 Armed Forces Reunion		HCS HCS			
Sun	24	Lunchtime	OH Regatta**		Hereford Rowing Club			
July 201	2	1 15	Lun detino Contra		St Jahn/: Church			
Sat-Sat	21-28	1.15pm 3	Lunchtime Concerts Sports Day 3 Choirs Festival Cathe		St John's Church Leisure Centre			
Sun	22 tbc		3 Choirs Festival - OH (Art Fest	Choristers' Reunion	Cathedral Bishop's Palace			
Septem Sun October	9		Reunion lunch for Pare and Leavers of 2008		HCS			
Sat	13		Reunion for class of 10)62 - 50 years on**	HCS			
 Ticketed event. For 3 Choirs Programme please contact the Cathedral. HCS Music School Lunchtime Concerts are held at 1.15pm St John's Church, St Oven's St. Hereford. Please check with school for dates. For OH Golf Day, please contact Andrew Singer: 								
abs.singer@btinternet.com. Dates in red = To be confirmed.								

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OH Day Programme Saturday 10 December 2011

Please take this as due notice of the Annual General Meeting of the Old Herefordians' Club. To be held in the Old Deanery, Cathedral Close on Saturday 10 December, 2011.

Coffee in the Old Deanery,					
Cathedral Close					
OH Hockey (mixed) Hereford Leisure Centre					
AGM in Briscoe Room, Old Deanery					
OH Netball in the School Sports Hall					
Drinks in The Old Deanery					
Meet Richard Skyrme OH					
(Director of Games at HCS):					
new format of the Marches 7s and					
meet some of the players					
Lunch in Dining Hall - £13.50 each					
OH Rugby - Wyeside					
Evensong in the Cathedral (tbc)					
Informal Buffet at Castle House Hotel,					
Castle Street, Hereford					
£30.00 per person					
Informal get together for you and					
your partner to enjoy.					
If you would like to take part in the above events					
or for general information please contact					
Helen Pearson on 01432 363 566 or					
development@hcjs.co.uk					

Rugby: Richard Skyrme 01432 363 561 or RPSkyr@herefordcs.com. Hockey & Netball: Lisa Ferneyhough 01432 363 561 or LAFern@herefordcs.com.

Editorial

It's hard to believe that this is my sixth annual OH Newsletter and it is always a surprise to me how quickly the year comes round. I do hope you will find this edition full of interesting news and articles about the Cathedral School and the Old Herefordian community.



The most fascinating aspect of being editor is to read about the varied experiences of OHs, both young and old. And yet, it is often hard to persuade people to send in news - perhaps schooled in humility, OHs feel it is not quite right to 'blow one's own trumpet'. I hope you will agree that we all learn by each other's experiences and so I would encourage you to keep us up to date with your news.

Clare Adamson Editor

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